

WE HAVE THEM.

Extra long and short
Underwear, good
quality.

GARDINER & BAXTER.

LET THE WIND BLOW

And the Clouds Scatter Snow
If the Lights Burn Low.

UP MUST GO BRAVE TRIMMERS

Unpleasant and Dangerous Work Per-
formed to Keep the City Lighted.
The Tower Lighting System.

Forty towers, one hundred and sixty
singing, creaking, blinking
lamps at the top and each lamp must
be trimmed at least once each night
and many of them oftener. Perhaps
the wind is blowing forty knots an
hour and the tower is clad with sleet
and ice. It makes no difference if
Old Boreas has unchained his fiercest
and icy blast the night trimmer of
the Electric Light company must
mount the 150 feet of iron framework
and do his work.

In calm weather the mode of ascent
is by way of the iron cage hung within
the framework of the tower, then it is
easy to do the work; but when the
wind blows as it does now nearly every
night, the cage swings so frantically
that it is extremely dangerous to at-
tempt to reach the summit of the
towers in this way. On one of the
three perpendicular corner posts of the
tower may be seen small projections
of iron to serve as steps, 300 of them,
one above the other. In stormy
weather these furnish a safer but more
tedious way of reaching the lamps.
One not accustomed to the work would
hardly consider this mode of ascent
very pleasant. The steps may be
covered with sleet and ice and the
wind may be blowing until an owl
could hardly keep his perch, but
up the trimmer must go. He reaches
the towers by means of a horse and
wagon or sleigh, and after a ride in
the cold for an hour he is not in the
best condition for a trip up the towers.

Besides the 160 lamps on the towers
there are 162 low lamps, which have
been placed in the center of the city
and at corners where the committee on
lamps think they are most needed.
There is not a meeting of the council
that the committee is not besieged by
various citizens for more light, not-
withstanding that the city government
claims that the city is better lighted
than ever before, considering its
increased area. Some portions of
the city are not so well lighted as
formerly, but the entire city was never
supplied with as much light as at present.

Lighting the Alleys.
An important improvement was the
placing of low lamps in the Monroe
street alleys. Few burglaries were
committed from the front of the stores
located on the main streets, but in the
extreme darkness of these alleys the
patrolman might have passed within a
few feet of a suspicious character and
not have seen him. There are doubt-
less other places where more low lamps
could be placed to advantage and a
half dozen more towers would go a
long way toward improving the light
already furnished, but the prospects are
that no more towers will
be erected the coming year.
Those who objected strongly to the
lower system the first month of their
existence here have ceased "kicking,"
and if they are not entirely satisfied
have at least found complaints to be
in vain. Those residing in the far-
away suburbs are well pleased with
the towers, for while it does not give
them a bright light, it casts a glow in
the air that enables the belated subur-
banite to find the keyhole with very
little trouble. There is at least not a
place in the city where it is absolutely
pitch dark which could scarcely have
been said under the old system of
lighting. The reflection from the clouds
and the buildings throws some faint
rays of light into the darkest corners.
The appointment of a city electrician
to test the candle power of the light
seems to have had some effect.

The Electrician's Report.
The reports of Prof. Carman have
shown better results each month, and
the report for November shows that
the whole system was kept very nearly
up to the required power. In fact it
was so near perfect that no reduction
in price will be made. Arrangements
have been made with the company to
have Mr. Carman report to the com-
pany each month after he has in-
spected certain lamps, as
to which ones he finds not up to the
required candle power. This gives
the manager of the company a chance
to immediately correct any defect in
the lamp, and as a result the city will
have the best possible service and know
what it is paying for. The company
has about 100 miles of wire in the city,
as nearly as Manager Hayward can es-
timate, but, as he expresses it, "there's
a bowl of a lot of it and I may be
twenty-five miles off in my estimate,
you know." It takes a large force of
men to keep these wires in repair and
the lamps in proper trim. There are
several day trimmers, who visit the
lamps each day and put new carbons
in them and clean the globes. Besides,
there is a special gang of repair men,
who keep the wires in condition for
service and which stretches new wires.
To those who have not visited either of
the two electric company's plants it is
a wonderful sight to see the great an-

gles working ceaselessly and almost
noiselessly, turning out a supply of
electricity to light the homes, the
shops, the stores, the streets and the
alleys of the city.

The cost of lighting the streets of the
city now plays a conspicuous part in
the annual budget. The expense to
the city is between \$125 and \$150 per
night, but this means at this time of
year thirteen or fourteen hours' ser-
vice. In the summer time there is
more profit in the contract, as the
lamps need not be kept running more
than eight or nine hours.

A Child Enjoys
The pleasant flavor, gentle action and
soothing effect of Syrup of Figs, when
in need of a laxative, and if the father
or mother be constipated or bilious, the
most gratifying results follow its use;
so that it is the best family remedy
known and every family should have a
bottle.

Take the Butterworth Ave. Line of
street cars to Lake Shore station on
West Fulton street. Passengers when
arranging a trip to any point east,
south or west should take "Lake Shore
Route," smooth and easy riding. The
only double track line to the world's
fair city. Butterworth avenue line of
street cars pass directly by the door,
affording passengers ample and rapid
means for reaching the station from
all parts of the city. Ask street car
conductor on any line for transfer to the
Butterworth avenue line.

Christmas and New Year's Cheap Rates.

The Detroit, Grand Haven & Milwau-
kee and Toledo, Saginaw & Muskegon
railways will, as in former years, make
a holiday rate of one fare and a third
for round trip to all points on its line
and connecting lines in Michigan and
Canada. Tickets will be on sale 24, 25,
26 and 31st of December, 1892, and on
January 1 and 2, 1893. All good to re-
turn up to and including January 3,
1893. Apply to all agents for infor-
mation.
JAMES CAMPBELL,
City Agent, 23 Monroe Street.

Dissolution of Partnership.

Notice is hereby given that the part-
nership lately existing between Charles
W. Chauncey and Henry C. Niblock
of the city of Grand Rapids, state of
Michigan, under the firm name of
Chauncey & Niblock, was dissolved, by
mutual consent, on the 28th day of
November, 1892. All debts due to said
partnership, and those due by them,
will be settled with and by Charles W.
Chauncey, who will continue the busi-
ness at rooms 409 and 411 Michigan
Trust company building, Grand Rap-
ids, Michigan.—Dated, November 28,
1892. CHARLES W. CHAUNCEY,
HENRY C. NIBLOCK.

Attend the closing out sale going on
at Herold & Bertsch today.

Holiday Excursion Rates.

The Michigan Central, "The Niagara
Falls Route," will sell round trip ex-
cursion tickets from Grand Rapids to all
points on the Michigan Central in the
United States and Canada, and to
points in the state of Michigan upon
connecting lines, except that to points
on the D. & S. & A. railroad, 50 cents
will be added, at the rate of one and
one-third, lowest first-class fare for the
round trip. Tickets will be sold De-
cember 24, 25, 26 and 31, 1892, and Jan-
uary 1 and 2, 1893, limited to return
January 2, 1893, and are good upon all
trains excepting 3, 4, 19 and 20.

For tickets, time tables, etc., apply
to George W. Munson, Union ticket
office, No. 67 Monroe street; A. Alm-
quist, ticket agent at Union passenger
station.
FRED M. BRIGGS,
General Agent,
No. 95 Monroe street.

The exhibition will be open Monday,
Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday
of next week. Admission 25 cents.

Bargains of a lifetime at Herold &
Bertsch boot and shoe sale today.

The art exhibition in the Michigan
Trust building is receiving a very nice
patronage since the weather improved,
and some pictures have been sold each
day since the opening. People realize
that the best time to select pictures for
Christmas presents is when they have
a chance to study all kinds together.

W. J. Colville lectures in Temple
Emmanuel Tuesday, December 13 7:30
p. m. "Christian Theosophy—The
Way, the Truth and the Life—The
Perfect Way or Finding of Christ."

Take advantage of the special sale at
Herold & Bertsch today.

Everything in boots and shoes below
actual first cost at Herold & Bertsch
shoe store, 63 Monroe street.

The Valley City Milling company
manufactures LILLY WHITE. Those
who use it once will have no other.

A pastel portrait, 14x17, and a
dozen cabinets at Kramer's, No. 334
South Division street, this week only
\$5. Come quick. Have it for Christ-
mas.

Try the new painless method of fill-
ing teeth by Robinson Dental Co., No.
65 Monroe street.

See Kramer's great offer on pastel
portraits in another column. Examine
his samples.

Lilly White makes the sweetest bread,
the lightest biscuit and
the finest pastry. Try it.
VALLEY CITY MILLING CO.

Kramer, the photographer, No. 334
South Division street, offers this week
a 14x17 pastel portrait and a dozen best
finish cabinets for \$5.

Chamber suites, side-
boards, hall racks, par-
lor furniture, book-
cases, folding beds,
everything in furniture.
NELSON, MATTER & CO.,
23 to 29 Canal street.

RHEUMATISM ECZEMA AND PILES. If
you suffer it's your own fault. I
have to say. Call, telephone or write
Dr. W. H. Rose, office Widdicombs
building, Grand Rapids, Mich.

ONLY TWO WEEKS MORE!

—IN WHICH TO BUY—

HOLIDAY GOODS

to make it the most delightful place in the city. Our display of **HOLIDAY GOODS**
far excel all our previous efforts. The reputation we have established in this line is sufficient guarantee to the pur-
chasers and a pleasing thought to ourselves. We quote a few of the many bargains we have to offer and leave the
public to judge for themselves whether or not our store is the place for them to buy the **Christmas Gift**.

Handkerchiefs.

What is more useful or suitable for a Lady, Gentleman or
Child than an assortment of a dozen, embroidered or plain? We
will continue our great sale for one more week.

LOT NO. 1.

200 dozen all white, hemstitched Handkerchiefs, with narrow
and wide hem, the usual 10c quality for..... 5c

LOT NO. 2.

100 dozen white hemstitched Handkerchiefs, with embroi-
dered corner, at..... 7c

LOT NO. 3.

200 dozen Ladies' scalloped Handkerchiefs and hemstitched,
with embroidered corner; regular 15 and 18c quality, for 10c

LOT NO. 4.

100 dozen Ladies' Japanese Silk Handkerchiefs, beautifully
embroidered, the regular 25c quality, for..... 15c

LOT NO. 5.

500 dozen assorted Ladies', Gents' and Children's Handker-
chiefs, beautifully embroidered, hemstitched, including
Silk and Chiffon Handkerchiefs, many of them cheap at
50c, all for..... 25c
EACH.

Kid Gloves.

Here is an article that will just please the Ladies. We were
aware of the fact and placed in stock for **CHRISTMAS GIFTS**
a line of Trefousse Gloves that will certainly meet with approval.
We have them in all shades. We will continue the sale of the
goods for one more week.

One lot 7-hook Gloves, \$1.50 quality, for..... 99c
Lot 2, 7-button Trefousse Gloves, the very latest, at..... \$1.19

YOU WILL SEE

Linens

By looking at our display window. Sufficient explanation in
itself to the class of goods we handle.

EXTRA LARGE Damask Towels, with knotted fringes
or hemstitched, for..... 25c

NAPKINS, ¾ sizes, per doz, \$1.00 up to..... \$5.00

LUNCH CLOTHS, fringed or hemstitched, ranging in
price from 50c to..... 5.00

DAMASK CLOTHS, all white or colored border, in any
size, from 98c up to..... 5.00

CHENILLE COVERS, 6-4 size, regular price \$2.25, for
this sale at..... 1.69

CHENILLE PORTIERES, in plain or dado, with heavy
fringes top and bottom, at \$3.95 and \$4.95 up to..... 7.00

Every Muff, Every Boa, Every Stock,

REDUCED IN PRICE.

Of course your mind is agitated as to what you shall
buy and when you shall buy it. (We mean your
Christmas Presents.) Have you visited our store?
And while there have you visited our Bazaar? In that
department we have spared neither expense nor pains

Bric-a-Bracs

And Novelties.

We are showing many exclusive styles and designs in fine
Pottery, such as Rose Jars, Vases, Koras, Cups and Saucers,
Plates—in the celebrated Tokio and Set Suma Ware—with the
Samison and Tyson decorations.

For this week we will offer one lot Pottery, worth \$5.00, at \$1.80

Another lot, worth up to \$6.00, at..... 2.25

Gents' Collar and Cuff Boxes, per set..... .25

Gents' Plush Combination Collar and Cuff Boxes at..... .50

Silver Inkstands, with cut glass bottle, for..... .25

While metal silver Photo Frames, worth up to \$1.00, for... .25

Bisque Figures, choice designs, from 10c to..... 1.50

Willow Ware—a complete assortment,

Music Rolls, embossed leather and plain, 89c, \$1.00 and.... 1.25

Celluloid novelties in endless variety, unique and novel
designs.

Shopping Bags, Card Cases, Purses and Leather Goods of
all kinds in endless varieties.

Gents' Neckwear, in 4-in-hand and puffs, extra quality silk,
the regular 75c qualities, for..... .49

Gents' Night Shirts, well made and neat trimmings, at 49c,
75c, 89c and..... .98

Ribbons! Ribbons.

Our great sale of Ribbons will be continued for another week;
supply your wants.

In addition to the regular sale we will offer one lot of silk
Ribbon, in all widths and colors, worth up to 25c,
per yard..... 7½c

Perfumes

And Toilet Articles.

For this week your choice of the best French Perfumes, in
any odor, an ounce, bottle included..... 25c

Colgate's Toilet Waters, 8-oz bottle, in all odors, worth \$1,
for..... 69c

Colgate's Toilet Waters, 4-oz bottles, for..... 36c

Kirk's Shandon Bells Soap reduced to..... 15c

Kirk's Juvenile Soap reduced to..... 15c

Oakley's Camelia Soap reduced to..... 15c

Oakley's Lettuce Soap reduced to..... 15c

Colgate's Turkish Bath Soap, per dozen..... 45c

FURS! FURS!

UP PRICE'S
Cream Baking Powder.

The only Pure Cream of Tartar Powder.—No Ammonia; No Alum.
Used in Millions of Homes—40 Years the Standard.

N. & M. FRIEDMAN

70 AND 72 MONROE STREET.